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Author of *The God of Small Things* (Booker Prize, 1997)



Can We Leave the Bauxite in the Mountain?

Field Notes on Democracy

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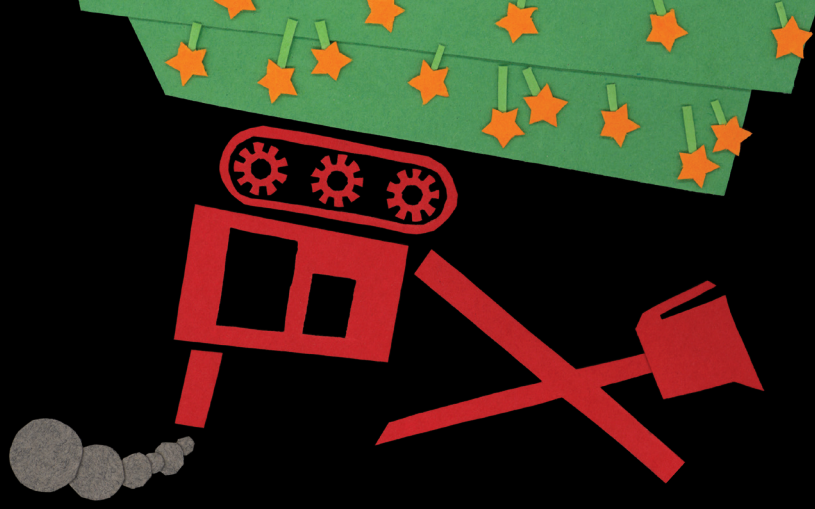
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Arundhati Roy is an Indian novelist, activist and world citizen. She won the Booker Prize in 1997 for her first novel *The God of Small Things*. Roy was born in Shillong, Meghalaya to a Keraltite Syrian Christian mother and a Bengali Hindu father. She spent her childhood in Ayanam, in Kerala, but left Kerala for Delhi at the age of 16. She later studied architecture at the Delhi School of Architecture. Since winning the Booker Prize, Roy has concentrated her writing on political issues. These include the Narmada Dam project, India's nuclear weapons policy, and Enron power company's activities in India. She is a prominent voice in the anti-globalization/alter-globalization movement and a vehement critic of neo-imperialism. Roy's most recent book, *Field Notes on Democracy*, was published in 2009. Roy was awarded the Sydney Peace Prize in May 2004 for her work in social campaigns and advocacy of non-violence.

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